

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Date of Meeting:** Wednesday, October 12, 2016

**Time of Meeting:** 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Meeting Location: Lake Villa Township Office

**Regarding:** Lake County Division of Transportation (LCDOT)

Fairfield Road and Monaville Road Intersection Improvement

LCDOT Section #15-00120-06-CH

Stakeholder Involvement Group meeting #1 summary

**Attending:** See attached

Based on interest indicated by the community at the first public meeting, LCDOT formed a Stakeholder Involvement Group (SIG) for the Fairfield/Monaville intersection improvement project. The group consists of project stakeholders including residents (who live in or nearby the project area) and representatives from agencies affected by the project. See the attached attendance list for the member list.

The first SIG meeting for the Fairfield Road and Monaville Road Intersection Improvement project was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2016 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lake Villa Township Office. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the project to the public, present the project schedule, and to see public input and comments regarding the project.

Benesch provided all attendees with binders containing the meeting agenda, a list of SIG member responsibilities and ground rules, and the presentation slides. The meeting consisted of a presentation followed by group discussions. The presentation discussed the project area and limits, provided existing crash and traffic data, and summarized the first public meeting. Two group discussions were held. The first addressed the question of what are the existing deficiencies. The second addressed the question of what are potential solutions for the deficiencies.

Results from the group discussions are as follows.

What are the existing problems/deficiencies?

- Southbound traffic doesn't stop
- Public only considers the all-way stop as a suggested stop
- Traffic cuts through on Old Monaville Rd
- The cut-through traffic speed is excessive
- Garbage is frequently dumped on Old Monaville
- There is no striping on Old Monaville
- There is a stop bar for only one approach at the intersection
- There are no pedestrian accommodations
- Drainage problems on Old Monaville Road (overtopping near connection with Monaville)
- Speed of turning movements is excessive
- Concerned about trail connectivity to the Forest Preserve trail
- Number of accidents on Old Monaville at each intersection

## Stakeholder Involvement Group Meeting Summary October 12, 2016

- Back ups: eastbound and northbound in the morning. Westbound and southbound in the evening.
- Intersection lacks turn lanes
- Sgt. Pryde indicated that people pulled over for running the stop sign say they didn't see it.
- Intersection visibility: due to the intersection roadway grades, some stopped cars are high above vehicles approaching from different directions.
- The intersection is skewed
- People make their own turn lane even though none is striped.
- The second vehicle in the queue often skips stopping at the stop bar.
- People are less likely to stop at night
- Sight distance on Amber Lane at Monaville Road is a concern
- Drainage: there is a culvert issue at the driveway on Monaville just east of the intersection
- Drainage: It was noted that the culvert under Old Monaville Rd at Fairfield Rd was recently replaced. Survey should be verified.

## How can we improve safety and operations at the intersection?

- Cul-de-sac Old Monaville on the east end
- Utilize vacant property to the northeast
- Add turn lanes
- Square up the intersection (i.e., reduce the intersection skew) through realignment
- Consider a roundabout
- Educate community about roundabout operations
- Consider installing a traffic signal
- Consider adding rumble strips
- Flashing beacon warning before the intersection
- Note: there's already one roundabout in the neighborhood (Monaville/Cedar Lake), so the learning curve will be less.
- Note: Avoid impacts to the Forest Preserve (northwest quadrant). There are some high quality trees in the forest preserve (indicated by the darker green leaves on the aerial, while the lighter green/chartreuse leaves indicate lower quality trees).
- Note: Avoid Impacts to the septic field in the southeast quadrant

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Fairfield & Monaville Intersection Improvement Stakeholder Involvement Group Meeting # 1 Lake Villa Township Office, 37908 N Fairfield Rd, Lake Villa, IL 60046 Wednesday, October 12, 2016, 3 p.m.

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